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10 IDA BELLE ROLAIN,

11 Plaintiff,

v.

13 WAL-MART STORES, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

Case No. 2:11-CV-01900-KJD-PAL

ORDER

Presently before the Court is Plaintiff's Motion to Remand (#7). Defendants filed a response in opposition (#14) to which Plaintiff replied (#16). Construing Plaintiff's *pro se* pleading liberally as the Court must, it appears that Plaintiff is alleging that Defendants improperly removed this action to federal court.

A case may be removed to federal court within thirty (30) days upon receipt of the initial pleading by the defendant. See 28 U.S.C. § 1446b. However, if it is not apparent from the face of the initial pleading that the case is removable, the case may be removed within thirty (30) days after the defendant ascertains the case is removable. See id. Further, if the basis for removal is diversity jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 1332, the Notice of Removal must be filed within a one (1) year of the filing of the Complaint. See id. The defendant in a removal action has the burden of proving all jurisdictional facts and establishing that removal is proper. See, e.g., Gaus v. Miles, Inc.,

980 F.2d 564, 566 (9th Cir. 1992); <u>Industrial Tectonics</u>, 912 F.2d at 1092; <u>Abada v. Charles Schwab</u> & Co., 68 F. Supp. 2d 1160, 1162 (S.D. Cal. 1999).

In this action, Defendants have met their burden in establishing that removal was appropriate. Plaintiff provided discovery to Defendants no earlier than October 28, 2011, the date which Plaintiff's signature was notarized on the documents, which demonstrated that the amount in controversy exceeded \$75,000.00, the jurisdictional amount. Defendants filed their Petition for Removal (#1) on November 25, 2011, which is less than thirty days after Defendants were able to ascertain the amount in controversy exceeded the jurisdictional amount.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion to Remand (#7) is **DENIED**.

DATED this 22nd day of August 2012.

Kent J. Dawson

United States District Judge